

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

SENATOR TILLMAN'S OPPORTUNITY FOR SPEECHMAKING.

A RECALCITRANT MEMBER

Mr. Bailey of Texas Beau Ideal of Public Speaker—Our Commerce Carried Under Our Own Flag.

WASHINGTON.—If there is one member of the United States senate who is having the time of his life at this session it is that Cyclopean statesman from South Carolina, Benjamin Ryan Tillman. More subjects have come up in the senate this session that have afforded him an opportunity of making characteristic speeches than there have been for several years. He is opposed to the tendency of corporations to monopolize trade and destroy competition, and in the railroad rate legislation and the propositions to investigate combinations of railroads Mr. Tillman has had his greatest opportunities to attack corporations in his inimitable manner of speech.

Tillman is nothing if not original and picturesque. He can say things on the floor of the senate that no other man would dare utter. He excuses it on the ground that he is "a plain, blunt man." When he first came to the senate the sticklers for senatorial propriety, like the late Senator Hoar of Massachusetts and Senator Platt of Connecticut, would take Tillman to task for his almost brutal form of speech when referring to his colleagues or government officials. The senator would promise to be good, but on the next occasion his temper would get the best of him and he would spit out words that were patently unparliamentary. The members of the senate got tired finally of trying to reform the one-eyed iconoclast from South Carolina and he is now allowed his own sweet way, unless he gets absolutely insulting.

Mr. Tillman is now at home in his state patching up a few breaches in his political fences. He is a candidate for reelection next year, and already considerable opposition has developed. The old regime in South Carolina, the silk stocking aristocracy, do not relish being represented in the United States senate by a farmer like Mr. Tillman. The latter secured his election by an appeal to the common people, and he is still catering to that element.

Attaining Notoriety. NOTHER Democratic senator has attained considerable notoriety this winter and is now an object of curiosity to strangers who visit the capitol. The latter want to see a man who has had the hardhood in these days of party discipline to take an independent course and defy the orders of his party caucus. This man is Thomas MacDonald Patterson, an Irishman by birth, with all the fighting proclivities of his nationality. Mr. Patterson refused to be bound by the Democratic caucus on the question of the ratification of the San Domingo treaty and he received one of the severest lectures and castigations on the floor of the senate that has been administered for many years. This parliamentary trouncing was administered by Senator Bailey, of Texas, who has jumped into the leadership on the Democratic side.

Mr. Patterson took his dose of medicine without even making a wry face and he says it will take more than the dictum of two-thirds of the Democrats in the United States senate to read him out of the party. Somewhat like Cataline of old, he defied them and declared that if he went he would return and at the next national Democratic convention he would be there to greet his Democratic friends and to do business as a delegate from Colorado. Mr. Patterson was no match for Mr. Bailey in the colloquy that arose over the former's recalcitrancy. He has not the voice nor the presence that belong to the young statesman from Texas. Mr. Bailey is the perfection of manhood in appearance, being six feet tall, splendidly proportioned and without superfluous flesh. His face is as round, full and as highly colored as that of a boy of 16. His dark eyes are clear and his hair as black as a raven's wing. He is an unusually handsome man and that, coupled with oratorical ability and brains, make him the beau ideal of a public speaker and statesman.

Ship Subsidy Bill. AFTER many years there is good prospect that congress will pass a ship subsidy bill. This old subject has been before congress for many years and has been fought over in both houses of congress by earnest, honest advocates and opponents, and at last it seems as though the principle of aiding the American merchant marine by giving a bounty to ships constructed in this country and sailed under the American flag is to be recognized. The bill that is likely to become law, it having already passed the senate, does not make any great draft upon the public funds. In fact for several years none of the present revenues of the treasury will have to be touched, as the subsidy will be furnished by an additional tonnage tax levied upon the vessels. The present proposition only contemplates the granting of a bounty or subsidy for ten years.

The one fact that appealed to congress more than any other in favor of subsidizing the American merchant marine is that less than ten per cent. of our foreign commerce is carried under the American flag. The old homely illustration of a merchant hiring the delivery wagons of a competing firm to deliver his goods has been used with good effect in pressing the necessity of this country furnishing the ships that carry our commerce to the world.

This bill has been fought for years by Senators Frye of Maine and Gallinger of New Hampshire, and to them belongs much of the credit if it becomes a law. They found it difficult to arouse a sentiment in the country outside the districts that are interested in shipbuilding, but by their persistent efforts they have finally convinced the western wheat and cattle grower that it would be to his advantage to ship his products throughout the world under the American flag.

"Uncle Joe's" Gifts. F Speaker Cannon were to accept all the gifts that are offered him he would have enough to furnish his person and house for years to come. He is averse to receiving presents and turns down any that arouses suspicion that their tender has been made for some ulterior motive. In contrast to most of the offers of presents the gifts of some southern friends have been accepted gratefully and appreciatively by "Uncle Joe." Down in North Carolina, where he was born, there is an old lady who never saw him, but who has watched his public career and believes that he has brought honor to his native state, although he left it when but a child.

This old lady has not forgotten the frontier art of spinning yarn and weaving cloth. Last fall she wove with her own hands, on an old-fashioned loom, a web of homespun cloth that is a marvel of fine texture and workmanship. She sent to Speaker Cannon enough of the cloth to make him a suit of clothes. He had his tailor manufacture the garments, and all winter he has proudly worn that dark gray suit of homespun while presiding over the house. It is a becoming suit and has excited the admiration of all his friends.

Another North Carolina lady knit the speaker a pair of white wool socks, such as kept our ancestors' feet warm when deer skin moccasins were more plentiful than fine leather shoes. Still another gift came from the same state in the shape of a pair of knit suspenders or "galluses" as they were known in "Uncle Joe's" boyhood. He has put these away in his cabinet to preserve for his grandchildren, so they may know what sort of clothing was worn in their grandfather's early days. To make his outfit complete, Col. Hemphill, of Charleston, S. C., sent the speaker a genuine "wool hat."

PEANUT PARTY MAKES FUN. This Kind of Evening Easy to Provide For and Sure to Furnish Plenty of Amusement.

PEANUT parties are always enjoyable and easy to prepare. On the invitations fasten a peanut shell or have a string of peanuts painted on the card in water colors. Have a generous supply of peanuts concealed in the rooms, in every spot imaginable, behind pictures, under rugs, on window sills, etc.

When the guests have arrived, give each one a silk bag or paper sack and let the hunt begin, each man for himself. After a half hour, call time and count the spoils, according to a prize of a box of salted peanuts for the greatest number and a bag of unshelled nuts for the smallest lot.

Next provide some peanuts, toothpicks, pen and ink, tissue paper and gum, and allow ten minutes for the making of a doll. The result will be most amusing. Serve peanut sandwiches, coffee, salted peanuts, peanut candy and ice cream with peanuts in it. Write quotations and place inside peanut shells, one for each guest.—Madame Merri.

Good Tooth Powder. A simple formula for tooth-powder is this: Four ounces of powdered precipitated chalk, one ounce of powdered myrrh, one ounce of pulverized orris, two ounces of pulverized borax. Mix and sift by forcing several times through bolting cloth. Use a firm brush when cleansing the teeth. Remove all foreign particles with a bit of dental floss. Twice a year have your dentist scrape away the tartar that is sure to form in spite of the greatest care.

Hair Tonic. Forty grains of resorcin, one-half ounce of water, one ounce of witch-hazel and one ounce of alcohol. This is particularly good when the hair is very oily. Shampoo your glory crown every week or two with eggs and hot water. If tiny bits of the whites of the eggs adhere to the hair strands, don't fret yourself to a fever, because the brush will remove them. Hot water is necessary if the shampoo is to be thorough.

THE WHIPPING POST. CONGRESS, which acts as select and common council for the District of Columbia, has decided that it will not authorize a return to barbarity by establishing a whipping post in Washington. Mr. Adams, of Philadelphia, better known in society and among his colleagues as "Bertie" Adams, has been advocating for two or three years the establishment of a whipping post in the District for the punishment of husbands who beat their wives. On several occasions he has advocated his bill on the floor of the house, and it has always led to an uproarious time. Mr. Adams is an old bachelor, wealthy and a good deal of a society man, and the picture of his espousing the cause of abused wives has always provoked amusement.

The last time the bill was up a few days ago it was defeated by a three-fourths vote, but not before the house had had an hour's rare entertainment. All sorts of amendments were offered to the bill, including propositions to revive the thumbcrew, the boot, the stake, the ducking stool and other forms of torture and punishment that belong to the dark ages. There were propositions to exempt from the operations of the law relative to the whipping post the president of the United States and members of congress.

When the vote was taken a shout of laughter was caused by Mr. Nicholas Longworth, then just on the eve of his marriage to Miss Roosevelt, voting against the bill. Mr. Longworth laughed when he cast his vote and this led the house to see the humorous point. His friends told him that he was wise not to give up any prerogative he might have to beat his wife.

HOW TO WASH THE FACE. Cleanse Thoroughly at Night with Hot Water—Cream Should Be Preferred to Soap.

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TO ROUND HOLLOW CHEEKS

Woman with Sagging Face Should Use Skin-Food or Try Suction-Cup to Improve Contour.

The woman with what is known as the sagging face can relieve her haggard and old appearance by persistent treatment before her own mirror. This is done either by a combination of skin food and massage or by use of a suction cup. The best skin foods all contain lanolin and many women fear to use it because it has the reputation of growing hair. This danger can be avoided if the skin food is properly used. First, wash your face thoroughly and dry it more than thoroughly. Leave not a speck of moisture upon it. Now apply the skin food and massage well, using upward and outward strokes, never downward. Then wash out the skin food with pure soap and water and dry thoroughly. The reason a growth of hair follows the use of skin food is that the pores are damp and the oil sticks in the pores. The following is an excellent formula for skin food: White wax, one ounce; spermaceti, one



USE THE SUCTION CUP.

ounce; lanolin, two ounces; sweet almond oil, four ounces, coconut oil, two ounces; tincture of benzoin, 30 drops, orange flower water, two ounces. Melt the first five ingredients together. Take off the fire and beat until nearly cold, adding little by little the benzoin, and lastly the orange flower water.

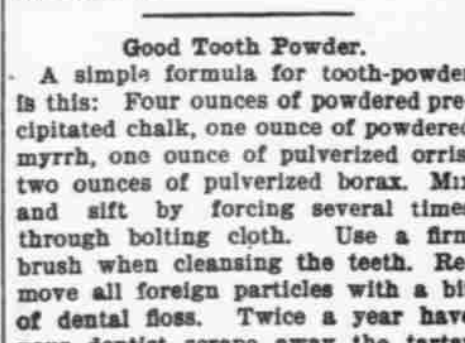
The suction cup is on sale at any first-class drug store and costs from 59 cents up. It looks like half a glass, topped by a rubber bulb. To use this cup, plant it firmly on the face in the middle of the chin, press the bulb and the edges of the glass will attach themselves to the skin. Now, work the suction cup upward and outward, covering as much surface as you possibly can on the right cheek, then press bulb and release the glass edges. Start again in the middle of the chin and work your way upward and outward on the left cheek. Always clean the cup thoroughly after using. A common cause of hollow, sagging cheeks is bad teeth. No woman who makes a pretense to good looks can afford to have one tooth missing from her mouth. Cosmetic dentistry has made it possible to build up a new tooth on a mere fragment or shell, and teeth are even planted in the gums. Porcelain fillings are now preferred to gold, which make the teeth look dark and porcelain false teeth are preferred to the more conspicuous gold crowns. Great hollows in the jaws cause not only sagging cheeks, but uncleanness of the mouth, offensive breath, indigestion and malnutrition.

FOR EVENING DRESS.

Bodice May Be Made of Almost Any Soft Materials Trimmed with Silk and Lace.

This pretty bodice is suitable to be reproduced in soft woolen materials, such as voile, delaine and crepe, or in silk. It is slightly full, and pouched all round over a deep swathed band of silk.

The trimming consists of straps of silk terminating in pointed ends each side front; these are laced together in



A GRACEFUL BODICE.

center by ribbon passed through rings that are worked over in buttonhole stitch with silk to match the color of the material. The outer edge of the strap is trimmed with a frill of lace, that is carried round the pointed ends. The sleeves consist of double puffs arranged on a tight lining and finished at the elbow by frills and lace ruffle.

Materials required for the bodice: 3 1/2 yards silk 22 inches wide, about six yards lace.

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All the grime of the day should be thoroughly removed at night and the pores of the face allowed free breathing space, advises Mme. Hebe. In the next place, don't use soap and water on the face any more than is necessary. Now, I am sure many soap-and-water fiends will exclaim: "Oh, I never can do without soap and water." Well, those who want to use soap, can do so, and when they get a good crop of wrinkles and large pores they will wish they had taken my advice. A learned physician once took me to task for advising a cleansing cream for the face, and said he always used soap and water, through the day, and from the very florid condition of his skin, and quite as many wrinkles as his years would warrant, I could readily believe he used soap and water, and not the best soap in the world or the purest water.

When I compared his skin with a dainty, perfectly clean little woman's, with fine pores, clear, soft and delicately tinted, who for years had used only a cleansing cream, and a dainty toilet water during the day, I then and there decided to stick to my opinion. It is necessary to use certain preparations of soap and hot water once daily, but this should be used at night, and after this a cream. When the pores are large and coarse don't expect to improve them by scrubbing the face, as you would the kitchen floor. The face should be treated with a great deal of respect and gentleness. Large pores will respond to persistent massage, vapor and an astringent, but not to the scrubbing brush. Those who use water should never, never use hot in the morning, unless they also use cold. They can use hot water at night, and then a massage cream. When the muscles are relaxed, bathing with very cold water will help to make them firmer, but see to it that the water is soft and clear.

Those of my readers who wish to have a clear, fine, unlined skin, with the least trouble, try the following rules, and I am sure in six months' time you will feel well repaid for the little extra time it may require and the extra pin money expended. Take a warm bath every afternoon or night, and use a bath brush. Cleanse the face with a cleansing cream, or good soap, and warm water, followed by an application of cream, the last thing before retiring. Sleep in a well ventilated room. Ten minutes' physical culture exercise in the morning and a cold sponge bath in a warm room; if not an all-over sponge, at least the throat and chest. Dampen a towel with toilet water and wipe the face, or in cold water, omitting soap.

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A Scented Hairbrush. Waves are scented by touching them with a brush that is itself scented. A scented brush is the nicest thing that can grace a woman's dressing table. It must be very clean, and must not be used for general brushing of the hair. Twice a week a few drops of jasmine can be poured upon it and the brush when not in use lies in a silken box with a cover upon it. When you are dressing the hair and have finished combing it take the brush from the box and run it lightly a dozen times through the hair. The result will be a delightful scent which will pervade the tresses all day.

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